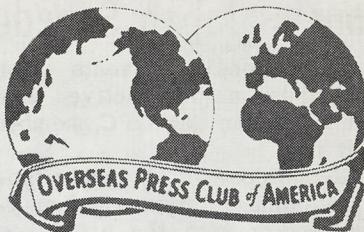


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## OVERSEAS TICKER

### MOSCOW

The censor cut out the following paragraph from my last "Ticker" copy:

"The same freedom with which we wandered around scientific installations (ed note: at the Nuclear Research Institute recently visited by a group of Western newsmen in Dubna which Bassow wrote about in the Oct. 6 issue of the Bulletin) apparently did not apply to the streets, stores and public buildings of Dubna. One correspondent who strayed into a disapproved area and looked in the store windows was immediately collared by two determined looking Russians and escorted back where he came from. He was advised: 'You can see stores like this in Moscow.' "

This same paragraph was passed a few days earlier when it was included in the story I filed for UP. It's a typical example of how erratic censorship can be sometimes. *Whitman Bassow*

### PARIS

UNESCO in Paris has just released a survey on press messages throughout the world, which finds, among other things, that rates for roughly the same type of dispatch can vary as much as 300%. Sometimes, a message costs twice as much going in one direction as in the other.

In general, the survey concludes that rates are too high and often are incoherent, all of which constitutes a grave obstacle to international communication of news. It urges cutting ordinary press rates and ending this disparity between ordinary and urgent.

Much movement at Time-Life Paris: *Thomas Dozier* sitting in as acting chief while chief of bureau *Frank White* is on brief trip to U.S.... *William McHale* on home leave...*John Thorne*, Life news chief left for home after three years and succeeded by *Milton Orshevsky*...*Frank Scherschel*, Life, left Paris bureau for Chicago and succeeded by *Loomis Dean*... *Andre Laguerre*, assistant managing editor of *Sports Ill'd.*, in for a few weeks at his old Paris stamping grounds en route to Australia for Olympics...

*Eugene English* has resigned from  
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## PRESIDENT INAUGURATES MONTHLY REPORTS TO OPC

*(President Wayne Richardson is starting with this issue of the Bulletin a monthly report as a means of closer contact with the full membership. His letter follows:)*

We've grown so big in the past few years that it's about impossible for me or for any other officer to get around and talk to each member about what's going on in the Club or our plans for the future.

That's the reason I've started this monthly column. It will give me the opportunity to point out some of the things that are going on that may have escaped your attention. (Incidentally, isn't this third issue of the newly expanded BULLETIN really something about which to be proud?)

One thing I'm sure would interest you to know is that the use of absentee ballots for the first time in this year's election has greatly strengthened our liaison with our overseas members. Their letters and personal testimony all tell us that the ballot truly made them feel like active members of the Club rather than outsiders.

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## Club Calendar

Tues., Oct. 23 - Regional Dinner: *Sweden*. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs., Oct. 25 - Luncheon - Attorney General *Jacob K. Javits*. Members only. 12:30 p.m.

Thurs., Oct. 25 - Book Evening - *Eric F. Goldman's "The Crucial Decade: America 1945-1955,"* Cocktails and dinner, 6:00 p.m. Discussion, 8:30 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 30 - Open House - Foreign Correspondents covering U.N. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m. followed by usual Buffet Supper.

Wed., Oct. 31 - Semi-annual meeting of OPC membership. 8:00 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 1 - Luncheon - Mayor *Robert F. Wagner*. Members only. 12:30 p.m.

## OPC SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING ON OCT. 31

The second 1956 semi-annual meeting of the Overseas Press Club membership will be held Oct. 31 at the Clubhouse.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. Dinner will be served promptly at 7:30 p.m. in the dining room.

Membership cards must be presented at the door.

Committee chairmen will present written reports of not more than two pages in length on their committee's activities.

The OPC Constitution provides that a quorum, for the transaction of business, consists of 35 or more members "qualified to vote" (i.e. active members). However, associate and affiliate members are most welcome.

The same order of business as was followed at last October's meeting will be used at this meeting. Conforming to the general pattern of Robert's Rules of Order, business will be conducted as follows: reading of the minutes of the previous meeting (and their approval) reports of boards and standing committees; reports of special committees; unfinished business; and new business. Neither the Constitution nor the By-laws requires an agenda for the meeting nor places any restriction on the business that may be brought up at the meeting.

## Wire Cost Hike Foreseen

The joining of the international zone of Tangier with the Moroccan empire could result in increased expenses for U.S. cable and wireless companies.

The inclusion of the Tangier zone in the Moroccan monopoly on communications is the result of a principle set forth by the Moroccans at the present conference there that their monopoly extend to radio traffic in relay transit through Tangier.

*Mackay Radio, Radio Corporation of America, and the Voice of America are U.S. organizations maintaining principle relay transmitters from European and Middle Eastern points.*

The N.Y. Times carried the report  
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## Tour of Japan Scheduled

The Special Events Committee announces a prospective three-week tour of Japan for OPC members next spring.

Its purpose is to enable those with professional interests in Japan to see the country with the official aid and cooperation of Japanese government and business interests.

The total cost of the tour will be approximately \$1,500.

Members interested should contact the Special Events Committee at once.

This is to be the second CPC tour, the first which was made this summer to South America resulting in "outstanding" success. The South American group recommended to the OPC Board of Governors upon their return that future tours should be planned in view of the result of the pilot tour.

## VILLAR BORDA MAY APPEAL

Carlos J. Villar Borda, UP manager in Columbia who was recently sentenced by the Colombian Government to pay a \$3,000 fine or spend 1,500 days in jail, has been granted a motion for appeal.

The Cundinamarca State Court of Social Guarantees granted the motion Oct. 8. The sentence grew out of a story by Mr. Villar Borda that government agents attacked spectators at a bullfight in Colombia last winter.

The charge, which resulted in the conviction of Mr. Villar Borda, was placed by Col. Luis E. Ordonez, chief of the intelligence service.

## PRESIDENT INAUGURATES

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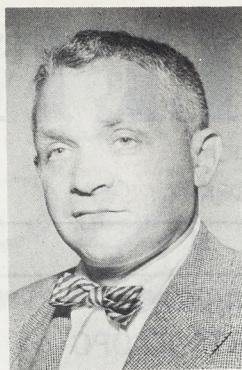
Of course, some of our problems are not geographic but rather a direct result of our growing pains. Did you know that today we now have 1627 members as against 1024 in August 1954? And because of this increase in membership and because our facilities are now greater, we find it necessary to supply some services that we haven't had to bother with in the past.

One of these new services in the offing is a credit system. The House Committee already has approved such a system 100 per cent and the Board of Governors has approved it "in principle." Right now a committee is investigating the necessary machinery for putting such a plan in effect. I hope to be able to tell you all about it shortly.

That's enough for now. But remember --though we can't always meet to talk when you have something on your mind, this column can serve as a convenient outlet for brickbats or bouquets. Naturally, I'd prefer the latter. But I'll duck neither.

Wayne Richardson

## BEICHMAN TO BE HONORED



ARNOLD BEICHMAN

*Arnold Beichman*, labor journalist and editor of the Electrical Union World, will be honored at a luncheon Oct. 25 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

The Electrical Industries Div. of the Joint Defense Appeal is honoring Mr. Beichman for his "leadership in promoting human rights... Mr. Beichman has used his dynamic pen and voice to battle totalitarianism, to uncover injustice, and give the facts to the people."

The luncheon is on behalf of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

## OVER 150 ATTEND FORUM

More than 150 OPCers crowded the dining room Oct. 16 to attend the first in a series of OPC "Responsibility in Communications" forums. Tuesday night's forum was entitled "A Reporter Looks at Suez."

*Thomas Hamilton*, N.Y. Times U.N. correspondent; *Edmund Scott*, CBS See It Now staffer just returned from the Suez with *Edward R. Murrow*; *William Ryan*, AP Foreign News Analyst; *Hal Lehrman*, Middle Eastern Affairs Analyst; *George Fielding Eliot*, Military Affairs Analyst; and *Derek Marks*, London Daily Express diplomatic correspondent who is in the U.S. to cover the U.N. actions on the Suez, participated in the panel discussions of the coverage and implications of the Suez Canal crisis story.

Following a brief talk by each panel member, questions were asked among the panelists and from the floor.

*David Shefrin*, Chairman of the sponsoring Special Events Committee, moderated the discussion.

### Brogan Member of Committee

*Charles Robbins*, Chairman of the Overseas Members Liaison Committee reports that *John Brogan*, King Features, is a member of his committee.

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## COMMITTEES



At its Sept. 27th meeting, The Foreign Journalists Liaison Committee unanimously agreed that the purpose of the Committee, and of the Club, is to advance professional, cultural and social relationships between correspondents of foreign countries and the American press. Members emphasized that the Club should be focusing more on opportunities that bring correspondents of diverse political and cultural viewpoints together; that we should be exploring every source of distinguished interpreters of the foreign scene.

With this for guide, the Committee, under the chairmanship of *Gertrude Samuels*, recommended on Oct. 1 to the Board of Governors:

1. That correspondents of foreign countries accredited to the United Nations be given guest membership in the Club, on a non-dues paying basis, for the time that they are accredited to the U.N.

(*Ed. Note*: This received limited approval by the Board. The Board felt that guest privilege cards should be extended only to foreign members of the U.N. corps who are sponsored by individual OPC members, and approved by The Board.)

2. That seminars between visiting journalists and American newspapermen on problems covering international news be sponsored.

(*Ed. Note*: Approved by The Board. The Committee was asked to recommend specific seminars and ways and means.)

3. That a strong expansion program of reciprocal arrangements with press clubs and journalists organizations abroad be initiated. At present, we have such arrangements with only four countries.

(*Ed. Note*: Approved by The Board. The Club secretary was asked to undertake the research.)

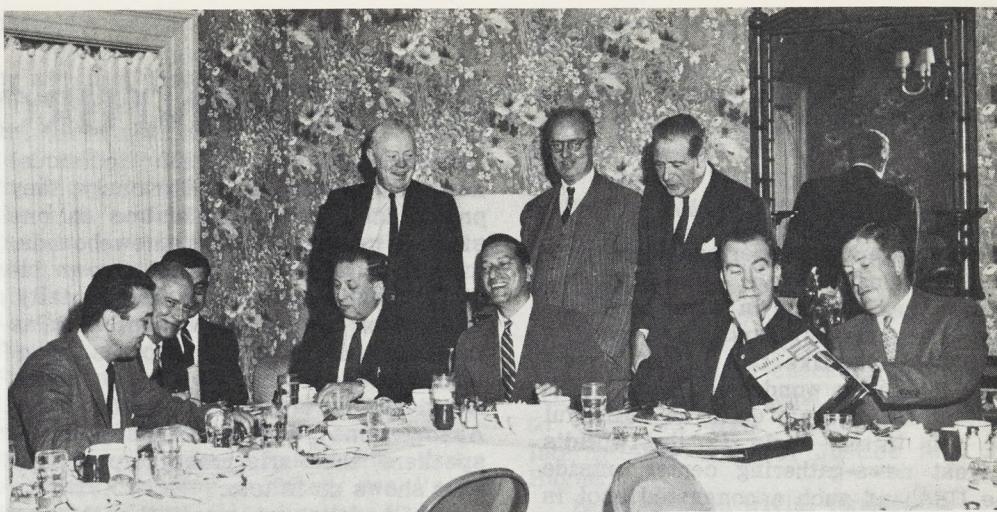
### Papers Seek European Unity

Newspapers from six European Nations have formed an association "to promote European unity," Reuters reports from London.

Among the steps planned is "an exchange of articles of common interest."

## PEOPLE & PLACES...

*Fitzgerald C. Smith*, NBC staffer, recently returned from Germany where he taped spots for Monitor including background on Munich's Oktoberfest, greatest beer-drinking festival in the world... *Fred Abbott*, retired former member of OPC, is recovering from stroke a month ago in U.S. Veterans Hospital, 408 First Ave., N.Y.C.... *Carl Bakal*'s picture story in current Collier's traces political history of U.S. through reproduction of memorable campaign buttons... *Adele Nathan* editing "Empire State Voter" for *William McDevitt*, publisher at Wagner Hqs.... *John A. Stone*, American Weekly, in Oct. Parent's magazine with "The School That Takes in Families."... *Kenneth Ginder* recently appointed to Committee of Final Judges for second annual Editorial Award dedicated to 16th Nat'l Bible Week observance. He's Vice President Hawthorn Books... *Clifton Daniel*, N.Y. Times accompanied by his wife, addressed Men's Club of Pelham Oct. 9... The *Howard A. Rusks* (He's Assoc. Ed., N.Y. Times) leave Oct. 25 for 5-week trip to Hawaii, Australia, Philippines and Korea. He will lecture, hold clinics and consult with officials of governmental and voluntary organizations concerning programs of rehabilitation of physically handicapped... *John Heffernan*, Reuters, elected president of United Nations Correspondent Ass'n Oct. 4... *Dorothy Wallis*, columnist for Women's Wear Daily in South America for two months to investigate Latin American fashions, etc.... *Frank Daly*, editor of the Melbourne Sun, ended his American visit after a world tour as guest of *Joseph M. Quinn*, managing editor of City News Service in Los Angeles... *Norbert Lyons*, recently retired OPC founder member, called in as PR consultant to Governor Harriman's Conference on Worker Safety... Former OPC President *Eugene Lyon*'s lead article in Oct. issue of American Legion magazine entitled "A New Red Decade."... *Leonard Bourne*, Hamilton Wright Org., Inc., back from six weeks in Europe with several free-lance articles... *Ansel Talbert*, aviation and military editor for N.Y. Herald-Tribune, left last week for "Operation Deepfreeze." He will be gone approximately one month... *Porter McKeever*, recently made Director of Information for the Committee for Economic Development, has article, "How to Throw Away an Air Base," (on difficulties in Iceland) in current Harper's and forthcoming Reader's Digest... *Howard A. Praeger*, recently elected vice-chairman of Region 2 of Public Utilities Advertising Ass'n. for 1957 at Oct. 10 meeting of association in Asbury Park... *Benjamin A. Cohen* back home from leave in Chile.



Ann Meuer

### ANNUAL DINNER STEERING COMMITTEE HOLDS INAUGURAL MEETING

*Cornelius Ryan*, assoc. ed. Collier's, heads the Steering Committee of the OPC Annual Dinner Committee.

Pictured at the first meeting of the Committee on Oct. 10 are (l. to r.): *Spencer Valmy*, *Charles Robbins*, *Joseph C. Dine*, *Lawrence Blochman*, *Murray Lewis* (Recording Sec'y.), *Cornelius Ryan* (Chairman), *Ben Wright* (Vice Chairman), (standing) *Rex Smith*, N.F.

*Allman*, and *Joseph D. Ryle*.

Unable to attend were: *John Wilhelm*, *Richard de Rochemont*, *Kathryn Cravens*, *William Safire*, *Lawrence Newman*, *Matthew Huttner*, *Joseph Willicombe*, and *Cecil Brown*.

The full membership of the Annual Dinner Committee of 50 persons is to be announced soon.

### SECOND OPC BOOK EVENING SCHEDULED

Eric F. Goldman's "The Crucial Decade: America 1945-1955" is the subject for discussion at the OPC's second Book Evening of the season Oct. 25.

*Henry LaCossitt*, free lance writer and lecturer, will moderate. A panel of distinguished newsmen and commentators will participate in the discussion, which starts at 8:30 p.m. —

### OPC MILESTONES

**BORN:** To Mr. and Mrs. John Alius, UP manager, Brazil, a second daughter, Linda Marlene, Sept. 10.

**BORN:** To Mr. and Mrs. *Ralph D. Gardner*, president, Ralph D. Gardner Advertising, a second son, John Jaglom, Oct. 1.

**BORN:** To Mr. and Mrs. *Raymond L. Spangler*, in Redwood City, Calif., a son, Thor Raymond, Oct. 4.

**MARRIED:** Loren Fessler, NBC and Time-Life, and Miss Stella Liu, in the MAAG Chapel in Taipei, Oct. 7.

**TRANSFERRED:** *Joseph Field* to Ruder & Finn Field Network, Inc. as Director on Oct. 15 from Fred Rosen Assoc. —

### MISSING MEMBERS

Anyone knowing of the whereabouts of the following OPCers, please notify the club office: *Lee White*, *Charles Hurd*.

### P.I. Newsman of Year Visits OPC

*Jose C. Balein*, Manila Chronicle, winner of the "Newsman of the Year" award sponsored by Standard-Vacuum Oil Co. in the Philippines, visited the OPC Oct. 16.

He was guest of honor at a luncheon arranged by *Edwin E. Dowell*, former Newsweek and N.Y. Herald-Tribune man now with Standard-Vacuum Oil Company PR. Other OPCers at the luncheon included *John Wiggins*, *Gordon Hamilton* and *Robert Dunne*.

*Mr. Balein* won the award by vote of a committee composed of present and former Philippine newsmen for his "overall reportorial excellency."

### FOR SALE

The OPC is selling a Handy Newspaper File Rack. Manufactured by H. B. Rouse and Co. of Chicago, the rack holds 16 newspapers, is steel, gray, and cost over \$200 when new. The best price will take it.

Anyone interested may contact Mr. Foley at the Club.

### WIRE COST HIKE FORESEEN

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that Moroccan Post, Telephone and Telegraph authorities have asked that commercial companies pay 3 gold centimes (nearly 1 cent) a word for relaying messages through Tangier. The two companies conduct in excess of 50,000,000 words per year through Tangier.

## Un Americain a Paris

## A DAY IN THE ADVENTUROUS LIFE OF CURT

by Curt L. Heymann

So you are an American correspondent in Paris...*Tiens, tiens* as the French say, which in brief English translation means: Gosh, I wished I'd an assignment like that - How I envy you - It must be wonderful...

No, sir, it isn't quite as wonderful as you think. Paris is the world's biggest news-gathering center outside the USA and such a congested spot is no Shangri-La nowadays. There are 600 accredited foreign correspondents (200 Americans including 25 OPCers) plus 2000 French journalists which accounts for the largest, most heterogeneous press corps anywhere.

This explains some amazing anomalies. These 2600 newshounds never had and still don't have a social roof over their heads.

There is no Paris Press Club. You come to London, Bonn, Munich, Zurich, Vienna, Rome and points east and you'll find a press club where you are welcome and where you meet your confreres in a congenial atmosphere. But not in Paris.

Why? Because Paris is a city of

OPCer Curt L. Heymann, Bulletin correspondent in Paris, is a roving correspondent for Worldwide Press Service.

A contributor to *History of World War II* and *National American magazines*, he was in the Editorial Department of the *New York Times* for 15 years. He went on leave of absence in 1942 for work with the *OWI* in New York and Washington and



CURT L. HEYMANN

served as Liaison officer with the American Embassy in London. In 1944-45 he served as chief of the press section of the Psychological Warfare Division of the U.S. Army in the European Theatre.

Mr. Heymann was also European correspondent for the United Nations World.

individualists with 2600 individual newsmen on the loose. Obviously, they prefer 2600 individual bistro to one single hangout. Paris newshounds, foreign and domestic, go their own individual ways and seldom meet socially. Except for special occasions, such as international meetings, press conferences and luncheons of the Anglo-American, Foreign or Diplomatic Press Associations with prominent guest speakers, the Paris press corps hardly ever shows up in toto.

This does not mean, though, that "*le tout Paris*" excludes the press. But the presence of foreign correspondents at social functions is exceptional and if some of them show up they have a feeling of loneliness. Being a "name correspondent" doesn't help any because your name is meaningless to the average Frenchman. And it will take a long time (and the Legion of Honor) before a French editor calls you "*notre tres excellent confrere*".

There's little you can do about. But don't try to make an impression at a "*vin d'honneur*" ("cocktail" in French) by giving your opinion on Guy Mollet's speech in the Chamber of Deputies last night. If you wish to put yourself on record better say: "Last Sunday, after the Grand Prix de Deauville, when I had supper in Ali Khan's kitchen, Pineau told me confidentially...."

Or just mention nonchalantly that you liked riding with Francoise Sagan in her new sports Jaguar...

Follow the same pattern at your residence. Nobody, not even your concierge, will realize your importance as Paris correspondent of the Kalamazoo Semi-Annual Chronicle unless you make a 'phone call to your hotel and leave word with the switchboard operator that the Maharaja of Bangalore expects you for lunch tomorrow.

Or leave the message: Please call Mr. Coty's private secretary at the President's office in the Elysees Palace as soon as possible...

That's probably the only way to gain French recognition for your journalistic efforts. Don't think you're recognized because you've a press card. It's an impressive little document which you carry close to your heart in your hip

pocket. It shows your picture under the French *tricolore* and the imprint of the "President du Conseil" alias the French Premier.

But the privileges of your credentials are strictly limited. Gone are the days when you got free rides, first class and sleeper, on the Train Bleu to the French Riviera, or an Air France Lift to Madagascar with stopovers at Casablanca and Dakar. Such favors would ruin the French economy, you're told politely.

No, your press privileges don't go far and your expense account keeps in step with them. So don't bring your Cadillac. At 90 cents for a gallon of gas a "Quatre Chevaux" - the limousine of the roving reporter - will do. And without PX privileges you will soon give up smoking American cigarettes at 60 cents a pack. Do as the Frenchman does - smoke Gauloises.

Beware of that silly idea that a private bathroom (whoever heard of a shower?) is an essential part of your Paris existence. No Hemingway, Paul or Woolcott ever had one in their journalistic haydays on the Left Bank.

For theatre and movie passes you need special red and green cards which you only get if Jim Hagerty swears that you are a film or drama critic in good standing. The French State Theatres (Opera, Opera Comique and Comedie Francaise) don't consider your criticism essential and include you out.

Best use of your press card is at the French borders. Just slip it into your passport and the customs will mistake you for a V.I.P. Or show it to a traffic cop and you'll never (well, hardly ever) get a ticket.

Returning from the Monte Carlo wedding I crossed a dividing line on the highway between Avignon and Lyon and was stopped by a motorcycle



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policeman. Instead of presenting my driver's license, I showed him my press card, remarking casually that I was on my way to Paris after covering the princely affair. The cop glanced at my card, gave it back to me and said with a dreamy look in his eyes:

"Now do you really think it is a love match?...."

In case you bring the wife and the kids don't labor under the illusion that a Frigidaire or Bendix make for domestic happiness. Not over here where even a Pulitzer Prize winner can not afford them. Don't try to operate an electric shaver. Grow a beard. And if you attempt to heat your apartment with an electric stove you are not going to survive the winter - financially.

Better get your apartment first. Look every morning at the "To Let" column of the Paris Edition of the Herald Tribune which is prefaced daily:

"Apartments are scarce, rents are high, European and American standards are different. We decline to take responsibility for information given under this classification."

How thoughtful of Eric Hawkins to remind you of this. It saves you no trouble and doesn't solve your problem. But be a good sport and call up the first number anyway. Don't be disappointed if a sweet voice quotes you the rent in dollars. Be polite and ask if she means American or Chinese dollars. Then apologize for being an American.

In search of an apartment for ten postwar years I'm not ashamed to admit that I live in the best hotel in town. It has more privacy than my previous place. Advertized as "Hotel Prive" it used my good name to shield its actual business as a clandestine bordello. Till I found out I always wondered why men about town grinned when I gave them my private address.

Always remember that the French Revolution made strange bedfellows and that, so-to-speak, you must take cover with your concierge. Last winter, which was very severe, the concierge at my apartment house showed her spirit of *Egalite* and *Fraternite* by soliciting from me additional funds for coal. But she had a different idea of keeping warm. She took the *Liberte* of getting

herself a furcoat...

Once you found an apartment don't be afraid of disputes with the landlord. The French Bureau de Logement, a standard institution, will always protect your interests. A colleague of ours found an apartment and cheerfully paid the high rent which enabled the landlady to move to the Ritz. The rent, she said, was so high because it included a Rembrandt, a Rubens and a Van Dyke.

But an expert told our colleague that his "picture gallery" was a fake. Furiously he went to the Bureau de Logement and demanded a reduction of his rent. Half of his lease had expired when the Bureau informed him that paintings, genuine or faked, are "not an essential part of the furniture."....



Another American correspondent was lucky to find an unfurnished three - room flat - at a price. He moved in and was surprised that the landlady had left a table in the livingroom, a chair in the bedroom and a garbage pail in the kitchen. When he mentioned the high rent he paid for an unfurnished apartment, a friend advised him to file a complaint with the Bureau de Logement. He did. After considerable time the Bureau replied that under French renting law an apartment, even with a single piece of furniture in each room, must be considered "furnished."

Finally, the story is told of an American newshound unable to find a place to live at a price he could afford. It was early in the morning as he left the California Bar and trotted down the Champs Elysees. In a desperate mood he paced the Place de la Concorde when a flic looked at him suspiciously.

"Why don't you go home?" the policeman asked.

"I can't," said the poor fellow. "I'm an American correspondent in Paris - I've no home." And he turned toward Harry's Bar which stays open all night.

to shelter characters who must sleep all day.

Next, dispose of the myth that your American income is not taxable in France. It is - despite the allegation of a tax expert at the American Embassy that between France and the United States no "double taxation" exists.

The French don't deny it and ask you to prove that you paid your taxes in Washington. That starts the legal procedure. Before you decide to give battle go to the American Hospital in Neuilly and get a physical checkup. Your constitution must be sound to enable you to carry the fight eventually to the International Court of Justice in The Hague.

Besides such trivial formalities you are free as a bird. You can come and go as you please. If the Quai d'Orsay does not like your reports they won't even say so or call you down. But you are forfeiting your Legion of Honor and no Paris street will be named after you.

There is no censorship under the Fourth Republic but there is a Press Code. If you observe its rules your chances of being expelled are slim. The latest brush that involved Ben Bradlee of Newsweek was exceptional inasmuch as it concerned military information and the emergency situation in troubled Algeria. It was quickly and amicably settled.

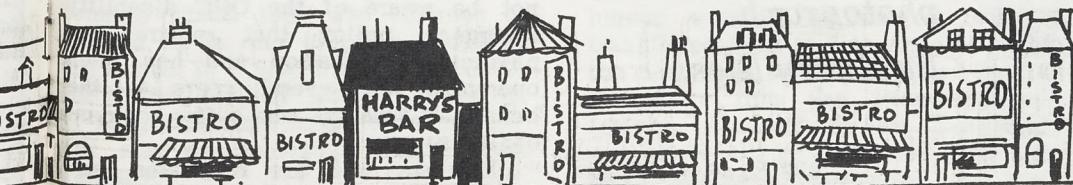
A similar case, involving a French female reporter, is now pending before the courts. It is considered much more seriously because it involves a French citizen who is charged with treason. She is a former resistance fighter and has been in custody since her arrest.

Communist papers frequently violate the security laws of the Republic which makes them subject to fines and suspension. Most French postwar cabinets had spectacular clashes with the Communist party paper, *l'Humanite*. But even more spectacular are the wars of the French gazettes among themselves and disputes between French journalists. In most cases libel suits are settled to the tune of one French franc. But as everybody knows, disputes evoking a code of honor can only be settled by a duel.

As duels are forbidden in France the second of one side usually takes the precaution of forewarning the police. It happened a few weeks ago when two Paris editors swore to fight it out to the last drop of blood. An estimated audience of 4,000,000 readers stood by breathlessly as one of the combatants walked discretely into the office of the Police Prefect and told him what was going on and where it would take place.

"I know," said the Prefect, thanking him for his courtesy call. "Your opponent was here ten minutes ago."

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## HEYMANN (Cont'd from preceding page)

Fortunately, most foreign correspondents, including Americans, don't believe in such bloody practices and therefore no case is on record where anyone of us was killed on the battlefield of journalistic honor....

But don't get me wrong. We all love Paris. It ain't what it used to be - but it still is Paris.

## It Happens Every Time....

You'd think one color TV set would be enough for a swank bachelor's apt. in Tudor City.

Ben Z. Kaplan bought one recently without first disposing of his old black-and-white.

On Oct. 2 he attended a "Nat'l Newspaper Week" luncheon. Top door prize: 1 color TV set. Winner: Ben Z. Kaplan!

Result: Three TV sets.

P.S. The reason Kaplan served overseas as an Air Force PRO in World War II: he couldn't pass flying status requirements - He's color blind.

(He's now Exec. V.P., House of Louis Feder, creators of men's hair-pieces in gray, black, brown, etc.)

## ONE GUEST ONLY AT REGIONALS

In keeping with the standing rule that members can bring only one guest to the OPC Regional Dinners, it is

## LETTERS

Dear Editor:

The Overseas Press Bulletin is a "real shot in the arm" to colleagues in these parts. Having a drink with the "Noble" Hemingway and Mary this afternoon. Had one yesterday with Lud Denny and Frank Waldo. Tomorrow expect to lunch on Valencian rice with Lester Ziffren.

Am anxiously awaiting more "new" Bulletin to which we send best wishes. *Ralph E. Forte*, UP Chief of Bureau, Spain and Portugal (Madrid).

*Mr. John Wilhelm, The Bulletin.*

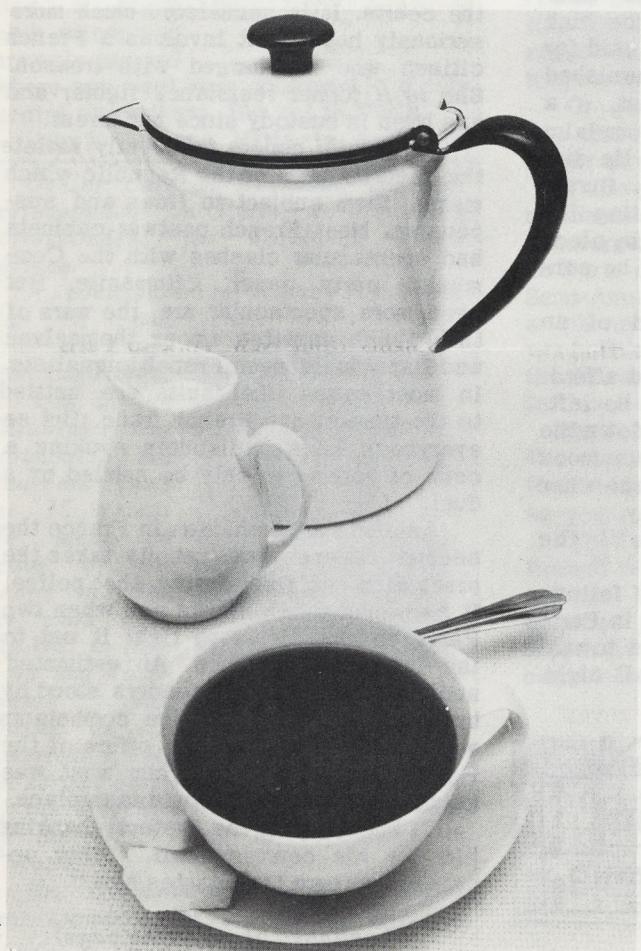
Dear John:

Heartiest congratulations to you and that wonderful staff of yours on the new Bulletin format. I thoroughly enjoyed every page of it. It is very appealing to the eye, and the content is excellent. Its value to our membership, both here and abroad is inestimable.

The spread by Darryl Berrigan is wonderfully hilarious. John, I think it

again requested that this rule be observed conscientiously. Tickets to the dinners are *non-transferable*, even from member to member. Those not entitled to the tickets which they present at the door will be turned away.

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is a scoop! It should be especially so to every foreign correspondent with a "soft" assignment overseas. It really struck a nostalgic note here.

The note on page three from President *Wayne Richardson* said "a job well done." It is indeed, that, and all of us members out there owe you and your staff a vote of thanks. *Joseph Willcombe, Jr.*, King Features.

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on the new Bulletin: It is an excellent job - well laid out and edited - and you are indeed to be congratulated. *Ben Wright*, Publisher, Field and Stream.

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on the Bulletin's new look. It looks good. *Joseph W. Grigg*, Manager, UP, Germany (Bonn).

*Mr. Wayne Richardson, President, OPC*

Dear Wayne:

Will you please convey to *John Wilhelm* and the Bulletin Publications Committee congratulations on the good looks of the new Bulletin? *Joseph Q. Riznik*, Editorial Consultant (San Francisco).

*Mr. John Wilhelm, The Bulletin*

Dear John:

Congratulations on the new OPC Bulletin. It's really developed into an interesting publication under your distinguished tutelage. I note that you're now using humorous "Experience" stories. *Dan Kurzman*, Tokyo Bureau Chief, McGraw-Hill World News (Tokyo).

To The Editor:

Congratulations on the new format of the Overseas Press Bulletin. I find the typographical treatment much more attractive and easy to read, as I am sure others do also. *James J. Cassidy*, Vice President, Hill & Knowlton.

*Mr. Wayne Richardson, President, OPC*

Dear Wayne:

I ... thought you might like to know how much help I got as a consequence of an item I read not long ago in the Overseas Press Bulletin.

This ... proves to me once again how important it is not to miss an issue of the Bulletin or any item in it, and also how valuable, in more ways than one, membership in the OPC has been and can be. *Hugh Boyd*, Publisher, Home News, New Brunswick, N.J.

## Insurance Available to OPCers

Many new members of the Club may not be aware of the OPC disability insurance policy that requires no physical examination and has been operating for several years to the benefit of members who suffer accident or illness.

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## OVERSEAS TICKER (C'd. from page 1)

Press Wireless, Paris, after 11 years (9 in Europe) to become special representative in Europe for Western Union. Says "Nothing will change but the name on the door." New Prewi man is John T. McGivern, formerly in New York and Tokyo.

AP movements: *Preston Grover*, Paris bureau chief, planed to Malta briefly on General Gruenthal's farewell tour...*Joseph Dynan* in Portugal on vacation...*George McArthur* left for Corsica on vacation...*Andy Borowiec* just arrived in Paris from New York to replace Charles Lane, who has taken over New Delhi bureau...*Harvey Hudson* leaving Paris for Melbourne shortly, and returning on vacation to U.S. via Honolulu...

Passing through Paris recently: *Roy Howard*, *Henry Luce*...*Marcel Wallenstein*, Kansas City Star, back in Paris from U.S. visit...*Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Gould* of Ladies Home Journal seen dining and dancing at Maxim's before going off to Moscow.

Bernard S. Redmont

## TAIPEI

*Archibald T. Steele*, newsgathering for the N.Y. Herald-Tribune, has been spending a couple of weeks here with his wife, *Esther*...*Max Dorian*, Agence de Economique et Financiere, interviewed *Chiang Kai-shek*; also, *Kiyoshi Togashi*, Board chairman of Japan Times, and *William Cooper*, of Scripps Howard newspapers' Hongkong bureau... Among goodwill missions from a dozen different countries and Overseas Chinese groups to a total of 2,000 persons arriving in Free China for the Double Tenth celebration, the Belgian Mission of members of Parliament has two Brussels newsmen attached: *Charles D'Ydewalle* and *Eugene A. Winter*.

*Schigeo Kamanaka* has taken up his Taipei post for the *Asahi Shimbun* of Tokyo, of which he was formerly foreign news chief...

*C. W. Prendergast*, Time-Life Tokyo bureau; photographers *Robert Crandall* of Mamaroneck and *Paul S. Siegel* of Minneapolis among recent visitors...

*Henry Mao*, editor of the Chinese Nationalist Daily of N.Y. is here as guest of his friend, *Victor Wu*, director of the provincial Information Bureau.

Geraldine Fitch

## BONN

*Richard C. Hottelet*, CBS Chief in Germany since 1950 who returned to U.S. to cover the election campaign will remain in U.S. with a CBS Stateside assignment. *Ernest Leiser*, sitting in for Hottelet in Bonn during his absence, will stay on as regular CBS man in Germany.

*Frank Bourgholtzer*, NBC chief in Germany who was in U.S. covering the

## THOMAS WRITES ON SUEZ

Oct. 1, Istanbul

Dear Bulletin,

I have been in the Mediterranean about a month now, and send best greetings to all from Istanbul. In visits to Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Yugoslavia and Turkey, I have been impressed with the high degree of unanimity of feeling relative to Nasser and Suez. It is to the effect that the Egyptian was high-handed in his actions, but that the need for peace is an overriding consideration. There is a growing feeling that open conflict must be avoided at almost any cost. I see lots of temper but no immediate war in the Mideast.

Richard Thomas

Oct. 4, Tel Aviv

Hello Bulletin and Everyone!

Am back in Israel again, and the place is going like a house afire. In the ten short months since my last visit of Dec. 1955 this nation has made tremendous strides. Everyone is building, working, producing. Phenomenal advances in small and medium industry, agriculture, port facilities, and especially home construction. People meanwhile are supremely unimpressed by dictatorial struttings of Nasser, and are getting on with the job of building a nation.

Richard Thomas

*Harold Burson*, president Burson-Marsteller Assoc., back from month in Europe.

conventions and opening of the election campaign has returned to his Bonn post.

*Vinton E. McVicker*, Wall Street Journal correspondent in Bonn for nearly a year, has been reassigned to his New York office. No word as of now on replacement.

*David Nichol*, Chicago Daily News in Germany since the early post-war years, is currently on a prolonged Mid-East assignment.

*Meyer Handler*, New York Times chief correspondent in Bonn, is on home leave in the U.S.

*OPC Past President Louis Lochner* now visiting in Bonn with Mrs. Lochner. He is staying with son-in-law *William Sailer* of the U.S. Embassy Office of Public Affairs.

*Joseph W. Grigg*

## MEXICO CITY

The local Correspondents Ass'n. has been steadily going from bad to worse, and seldom meets...*U.P.* in New York has denied that *Robert Prescott*, bureau manager for Mexico, will be transferred back to Los Angeles within the next week or two, and that *Charles R. Moore* from San Francisco will replace *Prescott*...*Robert Benjamin*'s new house will be completed in time for a Christmas housewarming. *Benjamin* recently was in Cuba and Puerto Rico for *Pfizer*.

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Mr. Davidson received the 1951 and 1952 Sigma Delta Chi awards for outstanding magazine reporting. In 1953 he won an Albert Lasker award for outstanding medical reporting.

## TITLE WANTED -- NEEDED

One big problem faces the producers of the forthcoming TV film series based on stories of OPC members - finding a good title for the series.

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Jack Newman writes from Hongkong he is arriving stateside next month.

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LIN CHEN-CHI, Central News Agency of China - Aug. '46 (Nanking, Taipei), July '53 (Korea), July '54 (Taipei), Aug. '55 to present (NY). Proposed by Frank Tao; seconded by Victor Lasky.

ROBERT W. EHRMAN, U.S. Information Service, 1949 to present - Sept. '49 to Mar. '51 (British East Africa), Mar. '51 to June '52 (Bombay), June '52 to July '54 (Near Eastern, African & South Asian section, Washington D.C.), Aug. '54 to Aug. '56 (Berlin). Proposed by W. Gordon Graham; seconded by John Wilhelm.

GARY MACEOIN, Editor La Hacienda and A Fazenda, from Oct. '50 to present, (NY). Proposed by Arthur Reef; seconded by Betty Reef.

TEH-CHEN TANG, (re-instatement), Central News Agency of China, Chief NY Bureau from Aug. '43 to present; China Press, Sept. '33 to Nov. '33 (Nanking), Dec. '33 to Feb. '34 (Shanghai); Associated Press, Mar. '34 to Aug. '35 (Nanking); Central News Agency of China, Sept. '35 to July '43 (Nanking, Hankow, Chungking). Proposed by Frank Tao; seconded by Norwod F. Allman.

CHARLES JAMES WOODSWORTH Canadian Consul and Information Officer, Winnipeg Tribune, 1928-36; Vancouver Province, 1937-44; British Ministry of Information, Sept. '44 to Mar. '46 (India, Kandy, Ceylon, Singapore); Ottawa Citizen, May '46 to Jan. '55; Toronto Star, 1955-56; Canadian Broadcasting Corp., Commentator since 1946. Proposed by Joseph C. Peters; seconded by Michael G. Crisan.

## NEW MEMBERSHIPS

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidates:

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